



Listen.
With faint dry sound,
Like steps of passing ghosts,
The leaves, frost-crisp'd,
break from the trees
And fall.
~ Adelaide Crapsey, 1878-1914
November Night

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FROM THE DIRECTOR ...

We are living in a new economy - powered by technology, fueled by information, and driven by knowledge. And we are entering the new century with opportunity on our side.

-U.S. Department of Labor
<http://www.dol.gov/oasam/programs/history/herman/reports/futurework/execsum.htm>

Dear Patrons,

Libraries are essential to the economy and workforce. Today's workforce is ever-changing and is driven by technology. The library sees close to 250 self-learners a month; all are gaining technology skills with the assistance of highly-trained library staff. Job seekers take advantage of high-speed Wi-Fi to complete online job applications. Students and community members use library services to assist them with distance learning and online tutorials, practice exams and more. Libraries are spaces for **community learners**, and that positively impacts our **community's economic health!**

Support your Library,
Pauline Emery
Library Director

Get a little 'me time' with us

The kids are back in school. It's time to think about a little 'me time.' Here are some fun programs for adults at the library.

Learn to play chess with Srivalli Pariti begins at 6:30 p.m. every other Tuesday, Sept. 10 through **Chess Challenge day**, Oct. 19. The **Chess Challenge** will be held from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Sister Cities Series will be held Sundays in September at 1:30 p.m. Learn about our sister cities in Ukraine, Japan and Italy.

Quarterly Crafting: Fall into Crafts will be held Sept. 22 from 4-6 p.m. This program includes dinner, music and crafts.

Join us Sept. 26 at 6 p.m. for **The Affordable Care Act For Small Business workshop** with the Small Business Assistance Program.

Take Into to the **Foundation Directory Online Professional** Oct. 15 from 2-4 p.m. and learn to research grants for your nonprofit organization.

Take **Foundation Grants to Individuals Online** Oct. 29 from 2-4 p.m. and learn how to find grants.

Jim Gray's Historically Haunted Corning Tour from your seat will be held Oct. 27 from 3:30-5 p.m.

Writing sessions for National Novel Writing Month will be held Nov. 1, 16, 17 and 30. For times, see our calendar at ssclibrary.org. Refreshments and prizes will be offered. Bring your own paper, pens or laptops.

Try **Intro to Genealogy Research** Nov. 19 at 1 p.m. Learn about **Steuben County Local History Re-**

Library Hours

Fall Library Hours are now in effect. We will be closed September 27 for cleaning and maintenance; Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 28; Dec. 24, 25 for Christmas, and Jan. 1 for New Years Day.

Library hours

M, W, F.....	10-6
T, Th.....	10-8
Sat.....	10-4
Sun.....	11-4

The library is where you are

Library staff and volunteers provide more than 1280 programs at day cares, preschools and Head Starts each year. These staff and volunteers bring the library to where you are while promoting early literacy.



So long summer; felicitations fall

Where did the summer go? The children's department was so busy with summer reading and programs, it seems the summer came and went in the blink of an eye.

Congratulations to all the weekly winners in our summer reading "Dig Into Reading" program. Although my summer reading goal of 6,500 books was not met, an amazing 6,250 books were read this summer by the 689 children, teens and adults who registered - an outstanding number by our small community. We hosted some great Thursday performances, two Float n' Flicks (in conjunction with the City's Department of Parks and Recreation), and many story times-both within the library and at various parks and summer rec/camp programs.

A huge thank you goes out to the Friends of the Library. Without their support, the Children's Department would not be able to offer such great performances and reading prize baskets.

Another thank you goes out to the teen volunteers who helped staff the summer reading club table, serve breakfast and lunch and assist with programs. This summer 34 teenagers gave more than 430 hours to help make the summer a successful one. As we slip back into our fall routines, take a look at what is planned for the season, and I hope to see you soon.

Miss Sue

The fun doesn't end just because summer has come to a close. We have great things happening nearly every day of the week.

In addition to the preschools and head start programs that our staff and volunteers visit each week, we also have story times at the library. **Stories and More** is held Mondays at 4 p.m., **Baby Bookworms infant lapsit Story Time** and **Chicken Little's Story Time** are held Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m., **Little Red Hen's Friends Story Time** is held Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m., and **Blankets, Books and Slippers PJ Story**

sources on Nov. 26 from 2-4 p.m.

Quarterly Crafting: Crafts for Christmas will be held Dec. 15 from 4-6 p.m. This program includes dinner, music and crafts.

Regular Programming:

Sit & Chat Craft is held the second and fourth Wednesday of the month from 3-5 p.m. Bring your own project. We'll provide the company and snacks.

Adult Writer's Group is held the first Wednesday of each month from 3-5 p.m., and the third Thursday of each month from 6-8 p.m.

Dream and Create with Pinterest meets on select Tuesdays and Wednesdays to create crafts and foods found on Pinterest.com. See our calendar for dates and times by visiting ssclibrary.org.

Coffee, Tea & English conversation group for English learners meets every Tuesday at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Choose a time that fits your schedule.

For details about these programs or to sign up, call (607)936-3713 ext. 502.

YA: Explore your world

First Friday Art club meets the first Friday of each month at 3:30 p.m. Oct. 4, learn about



Photo by Cherie Chigama

Life-size puppets entertain children in the Nasser Civic Center Plaza rink during a special summer reading program event.

Time is held Thursdays at 7 p.m. **Happy Tales Therapy Dog Story Time** will be held Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in October and November.

The popular **Skate n' Flick** will be held Sept. 20 with free skating in the Nasser Civic Center Plaza rink beginning at 6:30 p.m. A movie will follow at dusk.

Celebrate **Johnny Appleseed Day** Sept. 23 from 4-5 p.m. with stories, crafts and food with an apple theme.

Reptile Awareness Day with Tanglewood Nature Center will be held Oct. 21 at 4 p.m.

Nov. 4 at 4 p.m., join us when Gretchen Murray Sepik performs as **Mary Jemison**, a pioneer who was abducted as a girl and later adopted by the Seneca.

Learn about well-known and not so well-known **Holiday Traditions** Dec. 23 from 3-5 p.m.

For more details, visit ssclibrary.org.

Textiles at the Benjamin Patterson Inn; Nov. 1, learn **beading with Renu Shukla** at the library, and Dec. 6, take part in **Make and Bake Gifts**, which will be a combined meeting of the art club and the Teen Cooking Club.

Teen Cooking Club for Sept. 13 will make **After School Snacks**; Go back to 1796 on Oct. 11 for **Hearth Cooking at the Benjamin Patterson Inn**, and on Nov. 8, make **Beeswax Lotion** (but don't eat it). **Teen Cooking** meets at 3:30 p.m. on the second Friday of the month.

Teen Tech Fridays will be held the third Friday of the month from 3:30-5 p.m. Learn to make a **Prezi** presentation Sept. 20, give **Glogster** a try on Oct. 18, learn to use **Inkscape** Nov. 15 and discover **GIMP** photo editing on Dec. 20.

Let's go Geocaching will be held Sept. 16 at 3:30 p.m. Dress to walk about two miles.

Play **Cache Me If You Can**, the geocaching board game, on Sept. 17 from 4-6 p.m., and Oct. 14 from 1-3 p.m.

Celebrate Native American Heritage Month by making dreamcatchers Nov. 11 from 1-3 p.m.

Happy Tales Therapy Dog Story Time returns to Tuesdays in October and November beginning at 6:30 p.m.

For more details or to sign up for a program, call (607)936-3713 ext. 503. Visit our Website for a full calendar, ssclibrary.org.

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Nancy Douth & Friends of the Southeast Steuben County Library Honorary Scholarship winners

This spring the library honored two area students by awarding them the Nancy Douth and Friends of the Southeast Steuben County Library Honorary Scholarship. Each student received a \$500 award toward her post-secondary education based on their applications, essays and faculty recommendations. The winners are Catherine "Kitty" Ryckman, an East High School graduate, who will attend Virginia Tech University and Jennifer Seip, a West High School graduate, who will attend SUNY's School of Environmental Science and Forestry at Syracuse University.

The Nancy Douth and Friends Scholarship, established in 2011, is funded by an anonymous bequest to the SSC Library. The Scholarship honors the Friends of the Library organization for its continuous work on behalf of the Library and Nancy Douth for her many years as organizer of the biannual book sales, which have been instrumental in providing support for the Library's vision of lifelong learning and community connections. This scholarship continues that vision.



What is the role of libraries in your personal pursuit of life-long learning?

Jennifer Seip, West High School

Books have been a part of my life even before I could read. I used to have my parents read stories to me before bedtime and I would get lost in the story. It is like reading a movie. As I got older I started to read more often and immerse myself in various works.

Libraries aid in my never ending pursuit of learning. I read not only during the years at school but also during much of my free time. Libraries give a wide range of genres; therefore anyone can find an interest. I know that in my experience, I have found a selection of books which I enjoy immensely. Libraries not only help me in finding reading material for leisure purposes but also for school assignments. In my time at school, I have used the school library to research material for projects, labs, and essays.

In today's world, there are many means to find information. The most prominent would be the internet. Through the internet, a database can help me in finding scholarly articles, journal entries, online books, and several other documents. Libraries have a means of getting to these databases that I would previously not have access to.

Reading also helps me in acquiring new vocabulary words which help further the complexity of written assignments for



Nancy Douth congratulates Jennifer Seip on her scholarship and wishes her success in her future. Below, left | Kitty Ryckman at graduation.

school. Reading also helps me gain knowledge that I would previously not know and is not taught in the high school curriculum. That knowledge incorporates both life and education. There will never be an end to the amount of information I can learn as a result of having access to libraries. Libraries will continue to be a part of my life even as I grow older.

Catherine "Kitty" Ryckman, Corning East High

I have found libraries to be an important resource for my academic studies, and I plan to continue to use them throughout my life. I am currently on schedule to complete my Associate's Degree at Corning Community College with my high school diploma. I spend a considerable amount of time at the Arthur A. Houghton, Jr. Library on campus.

I use the library to research topics for my papers and also as a quiet place to study. I have found the librarians are very helpful in providing

reference advice and often bring to my attention sources that I am not aware.

With increasing use of the internet over the past several years, I used to believe all the information that I would ever need, I could find online. However, when I enrolled at Corning Community College, I rapidly realized the internet has its limitations. The internet can't provide me with suggestions and guidance like a trained librarian. The internet can't provide me a quiet place to study. The internet doesn't have all the academic journals and books I need to research. Lastly, although the internet is a source of lots of good information, there is information on the internet that isn't accurate or is hard to verify. The library is a better source for accurate information.

Upon achieving my Doctorate and entering the workforce, I foresee my continued use of the library on a regular basis. I can use it to reference businesses resources and also for personal and professional development. Learning is a lifelong commitment and libraries can be central to its effort.



Join the Friends of the Library, SSC for the Fall Book Sale

East Corning Fire Hall, Route 352
11873 East Corning Rd; Corning, NY 14830
Oct. 5 - Oct. 12, 2012

Thousands of hard cover books, paperbacks, CDs, videos, puzzles, records, books on tape, games, and other bargains, all arranged for easy browsing.

Saturday, Oct. 5	9 am - 4 pm	Members Only Preview (Become a member at the door)
Sunday, Oct. 6	Noon - 5 pm	All Welcome (Full Price)
Monday, Oct. 7	9 am - 7 pm	All Welcome (about 10% Off)
Tuesday, Oct. 8	9 am - 7 pm	about 20% Off Full Price
Wed., Oct. 9	9 am - 7 pm	about 30% Off Full Price
Thursday, Oct. 10	9 am - 7 pm	about 40% Off Full Price
Friday, Oct. 11	9 am - 5 pm	about 50% Off Full Price
Saturday, Oct. 12	9 am - 3 pm	Bag & Box Sale

Friends of the SSC Library Book Sale set for October

Reading, dreaming, cooking are all good things to do in the autumn. The Friends of the Library fall book sale can help you with these activities. Find great fiction, cookbooks, movies, tons of nonfiction and more at the sale, which will be held at the East Corning Fire Hall on Route 352.

Oct. 5 is a members only preview day. Individuals can get a jump on shopping by joining at the door for \$5; families for \$10.

The sale is open to all from Oct. 6-12. Discounts will increase as the sale progresses, from 10 to 50 percent off. The final day will be a bag and box day. Fill one for a set price. Bring your own bag or box or get one at the sale.

Proceeds from the sale benefit the library and our patrons. The fire hall can hold 100 people at a time. Shoppers may have to wait in line outdoors during high traffic periods.

Movies are free at the library

We've got popcorn and people. Now, what do we need? Free films! The **Family Movie Matinee** is held the first Saturday of each month. Popcorn and water provided.

Teen Screen is held the second Saturday of the month with free popcorn as well. Those younger than 13 must have an adult with them.

On select Fridays we offer **Free Friday Films @ the Library**. Snacks are provided.

For a full schedule of movies see our searchable calendar at ssclibrary.org.



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